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AGENDA

MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

NOVEMBER 24, 2015

- 1. Approval of the summary/final minutes for the City Manager's Briefing of November 12, 2015.
- 2. Approval of the summary/final minutes for the City Council meeting of November 12, 2015.
- 3. An appearance by Mary McAlister to receive a Resolution recognizing the life and accomplishments of Robert "Bob" McAlister, who passed on November 6, 2015 and served the City of Savannah as Budget Director and Chief of Staff to Mayor Susan Weiner.
- **3.1.** Resolution concerning casino gambling in Georgia.
- 4. An appearance by Deep Center Executive Director Dare Dukes and student Andre Massey Jr., who were honored by First Lady Michelle Obama last week with the 2015 National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award.

ZONING HEARINGS

5. Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC File No. 15-005456-ZA) requesting to amend Sections 8-3028 Victorian District and Article K Mid-City District to reference Animal Control Ordinance for the personal keeping of animals. The Zoning Ordinance should be revised periodically to reflect community goals. The proposed revisions reflect growing community support for the concepts of sustainability and urban agriculture.

On July 26, 2012 City Council adopted a Community Garden Policy and User Agreement. The proposed revisions support that policy.

Metropolitan Planning Commission recommends approval of the request to amend Sections 8-3028 Victorian District and Article K Mid-City District to reference Animal Control Ordinance for the personal keeping of animals. Recommend approval of MPC recommendation.

of a Special Use at 5715 Skidaway Road to allow spirituous beverages to be served in conjunction with a meal in the restaurant and banquet hall subject to the conditions of approval for the previously approved specialty restaurant. The proposed Special Uses meet all of the criteria set forth in the Zoning Ordinance for approval. The existing development, including the restaurant and banquet hall, has been in operation for approximately two years. The development has been received in a positive manner by the nearby property owners and has transitioned into a viable business and has proved to be a benefit for the general area and the City of Savannah. The request to allow spirituous beverages to be served in conjunction with a meal, if approved, should not be detrimental to the nearby properties or the general area.

Metropolitan Planning Commission recommends approval of the requested Special Use to allow spirituous beverages to be served in conjunction with a meal in the restaurant and banquet hall subject to the conditions of approval for the previously approved specialty restaurant; banquet hall; general office space; art studio/gallery (Education); and, eight residential duplexes. Recommend approval of MPC recommendation.

7. Robert McCorkle, Agent (MPC File No. 15-005157-ZA) requesting to rezone the area bounded by Victory Drive, Wicklow Street, Kerry Street and Dixie Avenue from the B-H, R-6, and PD-N zoning classifications to the B-C zoning classification. The petitioner's intent is to develop the site as a multi-bay commercial shopping area.

The subject properties consist of 28 lots comprising 11.018 acres. Eleven of the 28 parcels are undeveloped. Eleven lots are occupied by non-residential uses including a restaurant, a banquet facility, an automotive repair shop, and a commercial stable/riding academy. The remaining six parcels are occupied by single-family dwellings.

Metropolitan Planning Commission believes the site as a whole is presently underdeveloped, and rezoning and assemblage of these properties to allow a more appropriate use of the subject site with adequate protection for adjacent properties would better serve the general area and the City as a whole. MPC recommends approval of the rezoning request. Recommend approval of MPC recommendation.

8. Robert McCorkle, Agent (MPC File No. 15-005175-FLUM) requesting to amend the Tri-Centennial Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map to change the future land use category of the properties.

The subject area is bounded by Victory Drive, Wicklow Street, Kerry Street and Dixie Avenue. The parcels are currently commercial to the north, undeveloped to the south and residential to the east. The petitioner's intent is to develop the site as a multi-bay commercial shopping area.

The Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map lists the future land use categories of the 28 parcels within the subject area as Commercial-Suburban, Parks/Recreation, and Residential General. The petitioner requests that the Map be amended so that all future land uses within the subject area be changed to Commercial-Suburban.

The Commercial-Suburban land use category encourages a wide variety of retail and service commercial types. The proposed development would extend and deepen the commercial development presently clustered at the Victory Drive/Truman Parkway interchange to include an area presently developed as residential and recreational.

Metropolitan Planning Commission recommends approval of the amendments. Recommend approval of MPC recommendation.

9. Harold B. Yellin, Agent (MPC File No. 15-005155-ZA) requesting to rezone 117 Hutchinson Island Road from an RIP-B (Medium Density Residential) zoning classification to an RIP (Residential-Institutional-Professional) zoning classification. Both the existing RIP-B and proposed RIP districts are mixed-use zoning districts. While uses are similar, the proposed RIP district allows more institutional uses and allows less residential density.

Density for the RIP district varies by housing type, but is generally in the range of five to 21 dwellings per net acre as compared to the RIP-B district, which allows up to 70 units per net acre. Given the location of the property on the island (not adjacent to water) and its relatively small size -- 2.36 acres -- it is not likely that it would be developed for residential use only. The RIP district allows other more likely uses, such as offices and some retail and would allow the applicant to petition the Zoning Board of Appeals for a heliport/helipad use.

Metropolitan Planning Commission recommends approval of the requested rezoning from an RIP-B (Medium Density Residential) zoning classification to an RIP (Residential-Institutional -Professional) zoning classification. Recommend approval of MPC recommendation.

10. Longbeard Electric and Integrated Systems, LLC, Applicant; City of Savannah, Owner; Attorney Robert McCorkle, Agent (MPC File No. 15-005415-ZA) requesting to rezone 1943 Capital Street from an R-6 (Single Family Residential – 6 units per net acre) zoning classification to an O-I (Office-Institutional) zoning classification. The subject site is located within an older, fully developed area that has remained unchanged within the last 25 years in both existing uses and zoning classifications. The structure on the subject site was constructed as a fire station and will no longer be used for that purpose. Based on both the size of the existing site and the economics of transforming the site to an appropriate use, the site's usability will likely depend on the repurposing of the existing structure to a non-residential use.

One of the objectives in maintaining a viable neighborhood is to minimize the number of vacant and unproductive properties, which contributes to the overall quality of viability of a neighborhood. The proposed rezoning would afford the opportunity to transform the vacant non-residential property into a use that would not be detrimental to the adjacent properties and would contribute to the viability of the neighborhood. Based on these findings, the proposed 0-I zoning district classification would be an appropriate zoning classification for the petitioned site.

Metropolitan Planning Commission recommends approval of the petitioner's request to rezone the subject site located at 1943 Capital Street from an R-6 zoning classification to an 0-I zoning classification. Recommend approval of MPC recommendation.

11. Longbeard Electric and Integrated Systems, LLC, Applicant; City of Savannah, Owner; Attorney Robert McCorkle, Agent (MPC File No. 15-005586-FLUM) requesting to amend the Tri-Centennial Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map to change the use category of 1943 Capital Street from Suburban Single Family Residential to Commercial Neighborhood.

The subject 0.23-acre site is presently occupied by a vacant, non-residential structure that was previously used as a fire station by the City of Savannah. The petitioner is desirous of converting the existing structure into an office, and has requested that the site be rezoned to an 0-I (Office-Institutional) classification.

Metropolitan Planning Commission recommends approval of the request of an amendment to the Tri-Centennial Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map to change the future land use category of the property identified as 1943 Capital Street (PIN 2-0036-03-008) from Suburban Single Family Residential to Commercial Neighborhood. Recommend approval of MPC recommendation.

11.1. Danny Nelson, Petitioner, requesting to rezone 7002 Skidaway Road and 2101 Biscayne Drive from a PUD-IS-B (Planned Unit Development - Institutional) and R-6 (One-Family Residential) zoning classifications to a B-N (Neighborhood Business) zoning classification. The Metropolitan Planning Commission recommends denial of the petitioner's request to rezone the subject site located at 2101 Biscayne Drive from an R-6 zoning classification to a B-N zoning classification. The subject site is located within an area that has transformed from single family residential to non-residential uses during the last several years. The subject property located at 7002 Skidaway Road was recently changed from single family to an office use and the current zoning classification allows numerous other non-residential uses as well as multi-family residential. The subject property located at 2101 Biscayne Drive is an undeveloped site that was originally platted as a single family lot within the Tropical Park subdivision. Although the lot is presently vacant, it could

still be developed as a single family structure oriented toward Biscayne Drive. Also, this lot is the gateway into the residential subdivision that should not be compromised by the intrusion of a non-residential use. As areas begin to change due to a variety of reasons, changes to the development pattern of transitional areas should always be considerate of not just the properties involved in such a change, but also the impact the changes will have on properties in the immediate vicinity. The proposed B-N zoning district classification would be an appropriate transition zoning classification for the petitioned site on Skidaway Road. However, rezoning the petitioned site on Biscayne Drive to a B-N zoning classification would be inappropriate and adversely impact the residential properties along Biscayne Drive.

Metropolitan Planning Commission recommends denial of the petitioner's request to rezone the subject site located at 2101 Biscayne Drive from an R-6 zoning classification to a B-N zoning classification. The Commission further recommends approval of the petitioner's request to rezone the subject site located at 7002 Skidaway Road from a PUD-IS-B zoning classification to a B-N zoning classification. Recommend approval of MPC recommendation.

ORDINANCES

First Readings

- 12. <u>Budget Ordinance</u>. An ordinance to adopt the *2016 Service Program and Budget* proposed by the City Manager with certain changes to Contributions and Leisure Services.
- 13. Revenue Ordinance. An ordinance to raise revenue for the City of Savannah the same as was adopted and amended for 2015 with certain changes.

First and Second Readings

- 14. Reduction in Speed Limit on Berkley Place, Thackery Place, East 66th Street, and Goebel Avenue. An ordinance to amend the City Code to reduce the speed limit on Berkley Place, Thackery Place, and the segment of East 66th Street between Bull Street and Waters Avenue from 30 MPH to 25 MPH, and on Goebel Avenue between E. President and E. Gwinnett Streets from 35 MPH to 30 MPH, and that a resolution to amend the radar permit be submitted to the Georgia Department of Transportation. Recommend approval.
- Multi-Way Stop Control at the Clinch, Bulloch, and West 53rd Streets Intersection. An ordinance to amend the City Code to place multi-way stop signs and appropriate pavement markings at the intersection of Clinch, Bulloch, and West 53rd Streets. Recommend approval.

Harold B. Yellin, Agent (MPC File No. 15-005155-ZA), requesting to rezone 117 Hutchinson Island Road from an RIP-B (Medium Density Residential) zoning classification to an RIP (Residential-Institutional-Professional). Recommend approval.

RESOLUTIONS

- 16. Reduction in Speed Limit on Berkley Place, Thackery Place, East 66th Street, and Goebel Avenue. A resolution to be submitted to the Georgia Department of Transportation in support of reducing the speed limit on Berkley Place, Thackery Place, and the segment of East 66th Street between Bull Street and Waters Avenue from 30 MPH to 25 MPH, and on Goebel Avenue between E. President and E. Gwinnett Streets from 35 MPH to 30 MPH to allow radar enforcement. Recommend approval.
- 17. <u>Inner City Night Shelter, Inc. Contract Amendment</u>. A resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend Inner City Night Shelter's 2015 contract extending homeless services deliverables through July 31, 2016.

The contract amendment also includes an award of \$48,887 in reprogrammed PY2013 and PY2014 CDBG funds to provide support services to 180 homeless citizens in Savannah. The agency has experience in the implementation of federal grant programs which provide needed services to homeless adults. Recommend approval.

MISCELLANEOUS

18. <u>Property Acquisition – East Coast Terminal Associates, Ltd.</u> Requesting approval to acquire a 0.31-acre strip of land and adjoining 0.06-acre easement from East Coast Terminal Associates, Ltd. at the appraised price of \$70,000. The property will be used for the purpose of expanding the Bilbo Canal.

Recommend approval to purchase property and authorize the City Manager to execute related contracts and closing document. If this acquisition is approved by City Council, staff will perform due diligence, including a title search and environmental assessment prior to closing. A wetland assessment has already been completed during development of the project plans. (A plat is attached.) Recommend approval.

19. <u>Easement – Georgia Power Corporation</u>. The City of Savannah requested an electrical distribution upgrade to the City park located at 2227 Hudson Street in the Hudson Hill neighborhood. Georgia Power Company (GPC) has agreed to install this new service, and has requested an easement to install and maintain this electrical line on City property.

Recommend approval of the request by GPC for an easement across Cityowned real property and authorize the City Manager to sign the finalized easement document. (A plat is attached.) Recommend approval.

20. <u>Easement – Georgia Power Corporation</u>. Georgia Power Company (GPC) is requesting an easement across city-owned real property (Parcel 40) for installation of new electrical transmission service. The property, a lift station site, is located on the south side of East Montgomery Crossroad just west of Hodgson Memorial Drive and adjacent to Bartlett Middle School. GPC is seeking a 254-square-foot easement across the access portion of this parcel for development of a proposed overhead 115k/V Transmission Line upgrade project extending from the New Dutchtown Substation to the Lewis Drive Substation. The City retained a well-qualified state certified general real estate appraiser who concluded the market value of the proposed easement rights is \$3,705. GPC has agreed to pay the full appraised market value of \$3,705.

Recommend approval to grant an easement across City-owned property at 0 Montgomery Crossroad to GPC for consideration of \$3,705 and authorization for the City Manager to execute the easement agreement once finalized. (A plat is attached.) Recommend approval.

21. <u>Easement – Georgia Power Corporation</u>. Georgia Power Company (GPC) is requesting an easement across city-owned real property for installation of new electrical transmission service. The property (Parcel 133) is located at 1230 Montgomery Crossroad on the north side of East Montgomery Crossroad at the westerly bank of the Casey Canal. The total acreage of this property is 23,787 square feet. GPC is seeking an above ground, aerial easement of 9,148 square feet to install overhead transmission lines, a large 105-foot-high pole, and guy wires. The easement is part of a proposed GPC 115k/V Transmission Line upgrade project extending from the New Dutchtown Substation to the Lewis Drive Substation. The City retained a well-qualified state certified general real estate appraiser who concluded the market value of proposed easement rights and associated damages to the remainder parcel of \$118,781. GPC has agreed to pay the full appraised market value of \$118,781.

Recommend approval to grant an easement across City-owned property at 1230 Montgomery Crossroad to GPC for consideration of \$118,781 and authorize the City Manager to execute the easement agreement once finalized. (A plat is attached.) Recommend approval.

22. Amendment Sale Contract – Former Fire Station - 7 MLK Boulevard. The City is under contract to sell the above referenced property. The buyer is in the due diligence stage of the contract and is currently scheduled to close on or before December 31, 2015. The buyer has reported a zoning change is required for their planned redevelopment of the property, and is requesting a time extension to complete the re-zoning process. The buyer has agreed that if the extension is granted, then buyer will only be able to cancel the agreement and receive a return of the deposit if the required zoning for the planned project is not received on or before May 31, 2016.

Recommend approval to amend the purchase and sale agreement to provide a time extension for buyer to resolve the re-zoning matter, and authorize the City Manager to execute this amendment and related documents. (An aerial map and photo are attached.) Recommend approval.

BIDS, CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

23. Property Acquisition – 525 Windsor Road. The property located at 525 Windsor Road consists of approximately 0.55 acres improved with a 5,076-square-foot building currently used as a gym. The property was formerly part of the LaVida Country Club/Golf Club and was sold off by the club in the early 1990s to another party. A sale price of \$218,900 has been negotiated, and the contract provides for a sixty (60) day due diligence period during which investigations regarding environmental, title, and other conditions of the property will be completed. The seller has executed the contract.

Recommend approval of the acquisition of the property located at 525 Windsor Road (PIN 2-0759-02-045) at a price of \$218,900 and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract and associated closing documents. (An aerial map and photo are attached.) Recommend approval.

24. <u>License Plate Reader Solution – Contract Modification No. 1 – Event No. 3702</u>. Recommend approval of Contract Modification No. 1 to T.J. Madden and Associates in the amount of \$62,956.00.

This contract modification is for four additional automatic license plate readers. The additional units will be used to provide Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department (SCMPD) officers with the ability to more efficiently identify stolen vehicles and identify persons or vehicles connected to a crime. The license plate readers provide SCMPD officers with the ability to capture and respond to data from vehicle mounted automatic license plate readers.

The original contract was approved by Council on October 15, 2015 in the amount of \$80,000.00. The revised contract amount, including this modification, will be \$142,956.00. The vendor is providing these additional units at the same unit price previously approved by Council.

Recommend approval of Contract Modification No. 1 to TJ Madden and Associates in the amount of \$62,956.00. Funds are available in the 2015 Budget, General Fund/Patrol and Special Ops/Office/Building Furniture/Equipment (Account No. 101-4210-51520). Recommend approval.

25. <u>Motorola Network Upgrades and Expansion – Contract Modification No. 1. – Event No. 3244</u>. Recommend approval of Contract Modification No. 1 in the amount of \$84,885.97 to Motorola Solutions.

The purpose of this contract is to provide network infrastructure upgrades, expansion, and radio equipment from Motorola. The contract modification is needed to add features that will increase capacity to the City of Savannah/Chatham County Radio System. It specifically adds a key management facility and over the air rekeying capability to the management suit of the radio network. These functions are required because of the significantly increased use of over-the-air encryption of all radio traffic by the Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department (SCMPD) and other police departments in Chatham County. The total cost for the additional capability is \$289,346.00, which has been reduced to \$169,771.94 following a credit of \$119,574.06 for changes in the scope of work. The original contract included costs for significant electrical work to be done at each of the towers. When work began, it was determined that this extensive work was not necessary, resulting in the credit to the contract. The remaining cost will be split evenly between the City and the County.

The SCMPD and Chatham County Sheriff's Department will use the encrypted channels. Savannah Fire and Emergency Services (SFES) will also have access to SCMPD encrypted channels, which will benefit SFES as well. This encryption functionality will not be extended to Public Works radios.

The original contract amount was \$2,601,666.54. This contract was approved by Council on May 14, 2015. The total contract amount to date, including this modification, is \$2,771,438.48. This is a sole source because Motorola is the only manufacturer and supplier of the existing radio infrastructure equipment that will be used with this additional capacity and equipment.

Funds are available in the 2015 Budget, Capital Improvements Fund/Capital Improvement Projects/Other Costs/800 MHz Rebanding (Account No. 311-9207-52842-OP0206). A Pre-Bid Conference was not conducted as this is a sole source procurement. (D)Indicates non-local, non-minority owned business. Recommend approval.

26. Ferry Landing Shelter – Contract Modification No. 2 – Event No. 3590. Recommend approval of Contract Modification No. 2 to Place Construction Company in the amount of \$12,770.00.

The contract modification is for excavation of an addition foot of soil from the site and replacing the soil with stone to address fluctuating water levels at the base of the foundation. The project is part of the Visitor Mobility Plan approved by Council in 2006 to improve mobility options and is a partnership between the Savannah Area Mobility Management Board (SAMMI) and City of Savannah. The project is located on City of Savannah easement which is east of the Hyatt Hotel Harborview Room and west of the African American Monument between River Street and the Riverwalk at the foot of City Hall.

The original contract was approved by Council on April 16, 2015 in the amount of \$165,000.00. The revised contract amount, including this modification, will be in the amount of \$183,219.00. The second low bidder was Collins Construction in the amount of \$229,658.00. This modification could not have been foreseen by the second low bidder. SAMMI has agreed to pay for the additional cost.

Recommend approval of Contract Modification No. 2 to Place Construction Company in the amount of \$12,770.00. Funds are available in the 2015 Budget/Capital Improvements Fund/Capital Improvement Projects/Ferry Landing Shelter (Account No. 311-9207-52842-OP0935). Recommend approval.

27. Tree and Stump Removal – Annual Contract – Event No. 3681. Recommend approval to award an annual contract for tree and stump removal to McKinnon, Inc., ArborMax Tree Service, LLC, Allcare Tree Surgery Inc., and ArborNature in the estimated amount of \$500,000.00. The services include the removal of trees and grinding of stumps. Bidders were pre-qualified based upon company qualifications and experience, references, proper insurance and necessary equipment. The four qualified bidders will provide bids for a pre-determined list of work to be accomplished on a weekly basis and will be awarded that specific list of work based on the lowest bid submitted.

The request for statements of qualifications was advertised, opened, and reviewed. Delivery: As Needed. Terms: Net 30 Days. The bidders were:

- Q.B. McKinnon, Inc. (Helena, GA) (D)
- Q.B. ArborMax Tree Services (Chatham County, GA) (D)
- Q.B. Allcare Tree Surgery, Inc. (Hilton Head, SC) (D)
- Q.B. ArborNature (Hilton Head, SC) (D)

Funds are available in the 2015 Budget, General Fund/Park and Tree/Other Contractual Services (Account No. 101-6122-51295). A Pre-Bid Conference was not conducted as this was a request for statements of qualifications. (D) Indicates non-local, non-minority owned business. Recommend approval.

28. <u>Corrosion Control Additive – Annual Contract Renewal – Event No. 3751</u>. Recommend approval to renew an annual contract for corrosion control additive from American Development Corporation in the amount of \$120,000.00. The chemical will be used for water treatment by the Industrial and Domestic Water Plant.

This is a sole source because this chemical composition is proprietary and this company is the only supplier. The contract was negotiated, and prices have remained stable from the previous contract period.

Delivery: As Needed. Terms: Net 30 Days.

S.S. American Development Corporation (Fayetteville, TN) (D) \$120,000.00

Funds are available in the 2015 Budget, I & D Operating Water Fund/ I & D Operation & Maintenance/Chemicals (Account No. 531-2581-51323). A Pre-Proposal Conference was not conducted as this is an annual contract renewal. (D)Indicates non-local, non-minority owned business. Recommend approval.

29. Water and Sewer Agreement – 2010 East President Street. Mariner Grove Multifamily LP has requested a water and sewer agreement for 2010 East President Street. The water and sewer systems have adequate capacity to serve this 138.3 water and 125.57 sewer equivalent residential unit development located at 2010 East President Street. The agreement is consistent with policy directives given by the Mayor and Aldermen and has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney for legal format. Recommend approval.

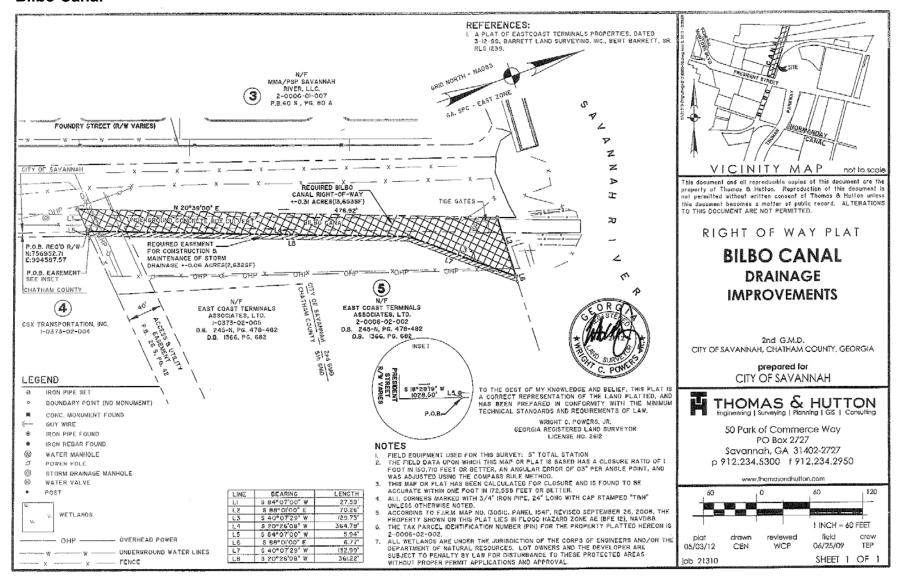
City of Savannah Summary of Solicitations and Responses For November 24, 2015

Event <u>Number</u>	Annual Contract	<u>Description</u>	Local Vendor <u>Available</u>	MWBE Vendor <u>Available</u>	Total Sent	Sent to MWBE	Total <u>Received</u>	Received From MWBE	Estimated Award <u>Value</u>	Estimated MWBE Value	Low Bid Vendor <u>Type</u>	MWBE Sub	Vendor <u>Type</u>	Local Preference Applied
3681	Χ	Tree and Stump Removal	Yes	Yes	215	28	4	0	\$500,000.00	0	D	0	0	No
3751		Corrosion Control Additive	No	No	1	0	1	0	\$120,000.00	0	D	0	0	No

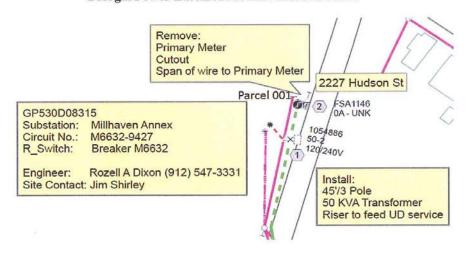
Vendor(s)*

- A. Local Minority Owned Business
- B. Local Non-Minority Owned Business
- C. Non-Local Minority Owned Business
- D. Non-Local Non-Minority Owned Business
- E. Woman Owned Business
- F. Non-Local Woman Owned Business
- G. Local Non-Profit Organization

Bilbo Canal



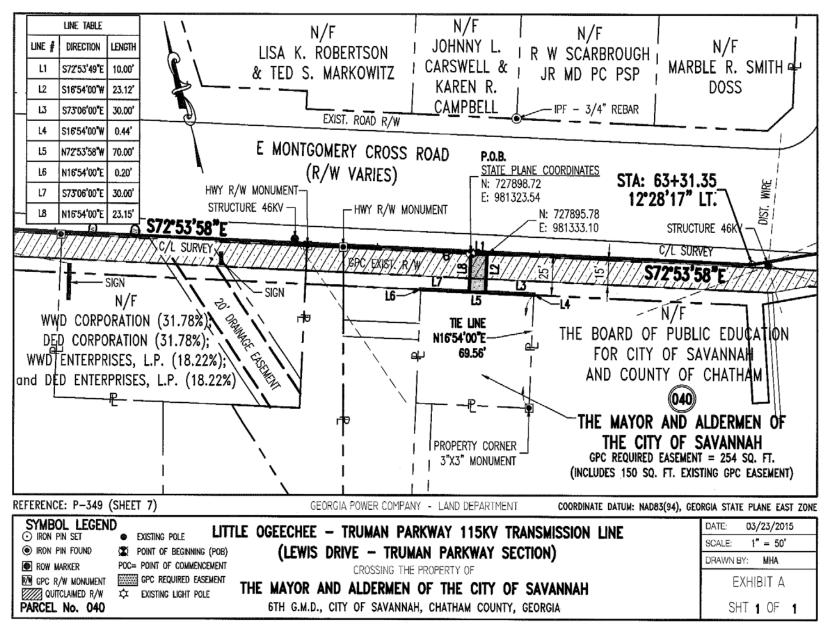
Georgia Power Easement at 2227 Hudson Street



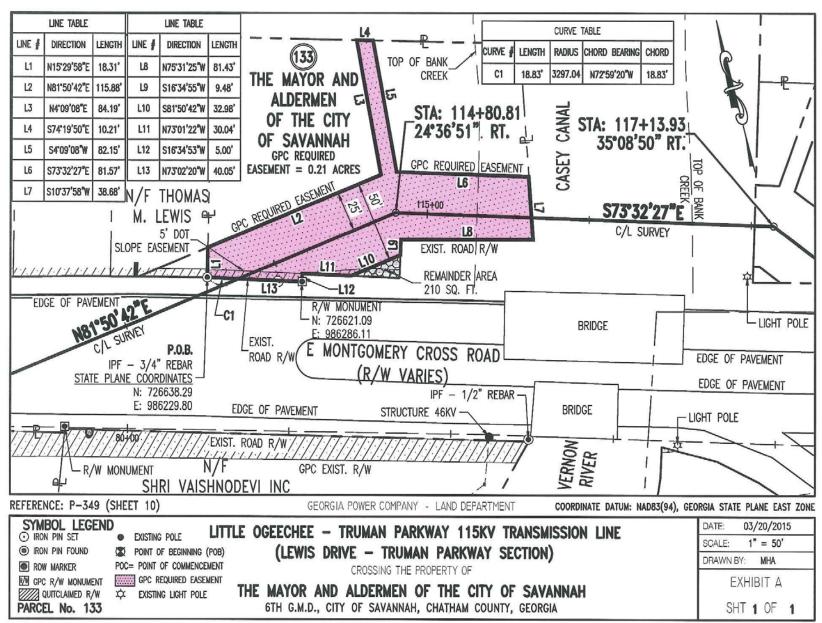


Parcel 001: 106 Square Feet Easement

0 Montgomery Crossroads

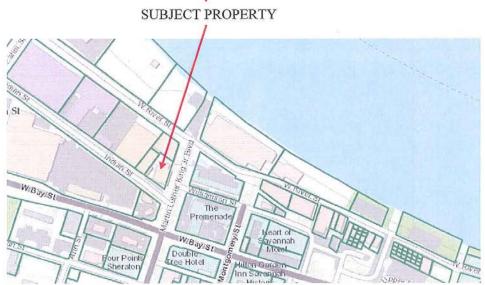


1230 Montgomery Crossroads



7 MLK Boulevard





525 Windsor Road



SUBJECT PROPERTY

